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FOREWORD

In 1977 the United States International Trade Commission initiated its current Summary of Trade and Tariff Information series of informational reports on the thousands of products imported into and exported from the United States. The summaries contain information on product uses, U.S. producers, and customs treatment, and include analyses of the basic factors affecting trends in consumption, production, and trade as well as those bearing on the competitiveness of U.S. industries in domestic and foreign markets.

This supplement is designed to maintain the usefulness of the original summary prepared for this commodity area by providing current consumption and trade statistics and information on significant developments since the initial summary's release. The current statistical tables and tariff schedule extracts contained in the loose-leaf supplement can easily be substituted for the corresponding pages in the original summary.

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SUPPLEMENT TO SUMMARY OF TRADE AND TARIFF INFORMATION ON HARDWOOD PLYWOOD, TSUS ITEM 240.10 AND RELATED NUMBERS (PUBLISHED IN APRIL 1978)

U.S. industry

The hardwood plywood industry, highly dependent on building, mobile home, and furniture construction markets, is being significantly affected by slumps in these markets which began in late 1979. High interest rates and a general sluggishness in the economy are the most significant factors in a downturn in construction activity. In 1980 there were approximately 130 plants producing hardwood plywood, down from 135 in 1979 and 160 in 1977. Many of the plants closed were marginal operations; improved economic conditions will likely lead to a reopening of some plants.

Employment fell from an estimated 9,000 production workers in 1977 to approximately 7,000 in 1980.

U.S. customs treatment

Appendix A contains excerpts from the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (TSUSA) showing the applicable 1981 rates of duty for hardwood plywood. The column 1 rates of duty are most-favored-nation (MFN) rates, and are applicable to products imported from all countries except those Communist countries and areas enumerated in general headnote 3(f) of the TSUS. However, such rates do not apply to products of developing countries, which are granted preferential duty-free tariff treatment under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). 1/ The staged column 1 rate reductions negotiated in the Tokyo round of the Multilateral Trade Negotiations (MTN) and the pre-MTN rate are shown in appendix A.

The rates shown under the least developed developing countries (LDDC) rate of duty column are preferential rates (reflecting the full U.S. MTN concession rate for a particular item without staging) and are applicable to products of those countries designated in general headnote 3(d) of the TSUS which are not granted duty-free treatment under the GSP.

The rates of duty in rate of duty column numbered 2 apply to imported products from those countries under Communist domination or control, and other areas enumerated in general headnote 3(f) of the TSUS.

1/ The GSP under title V of the Trade Act of 1974 provides duty-free treatment of specified eligible articles imported directly from designated beneficiary developing countries. GSP implemented by Executive Order number 11888 of Nov. 24, 1975, applies to merchandise imported on or after Jan. 1, 1976, and is scheduled to remain in effect until Jan. 4, 1985, unless modified by the President or terminated.

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U.S. consumption

U.S. consumption fell from a recent high of 6.5 billion square feet in 1978 to 3.7 billion square feet, valued at approximately $1 billion, in 1980 (table 1, app. B). Imports, which have accounted for over 75 percent (by quantity) of consumption during 1976-79, fell to 66 percent of consumption in 1980. Both imports and production have been falling since 1978 with imports declining at a faster rate than production.

U.S. production

As previously noted, production has been falling in recent years, due for the most part to low levels of building and furniture construction, and, in 1980 was approximately 1,312 million square feet, valued at $658 million.

Manufacture of hardwood plywood, by type, as reported by the U.S. Department of Commerce, is shown in the following tabulation (in thousands of square feet surface measure):

Year	Veneer core			Board core	Container and packaging	Total
	Type I	Type II	Type III			
1976	8,191	1,037,435	63,856	208,914	49,407	1,367,805
1977	14,249	1,124,742	83,012	222,779	54,460	1,499,242
1978	18,147	1,115,743	89,290	224,056	48,416	1,495,652
1979	11,105	1,080,906	76,037	237,903	46,218	1,452,169
1980	9,381	965,974	65,804	232,712	38,269	1,312,140

Birch is the principal species used to face domestically produced plywood. In recent years birch accounted for approximately 25 percent, oak 15 to 20 percent, gum 5 to 10 percent, and imported wood about 20 percent of the quantity of the face veneers of domestically produced plywood; the remainder was faced with a wide variety of domestic wood species.

U.S. foreign trade

Imports of hardwood plywood increased from 4.8 billion square feet, valued at $376 million, in 1976, to 5.1 billion square feet, valued at $513 million, in 1978. Thereafter, imports began to decline, reaching 2.4 billion square feet, valued at $401 million, in 1980 (table 2). Korea and Taiwan were the principal suppliers, accounting for over 70 percent of the quantity of imports in 1980. The share of imports by quantity supplied by these countries declined from about 80 percent in 1976 to 70 percent in 1980. Korea's share fell from 58 to 37 percent, and Taiwan's increased from 25 to 35 percent by 1980.

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Between 1976 and 1980, plywood of Philippine mahogany and related species (TSUS item 240.17) declined in importance as a source of imported plywood, but plywood of species such as sen, keruing, kapur, and ramin (TSUS item 240.23) have increased. Plywood imported under TSUS item 240.17 declined from a 62 percent share of the quantity imported in 1976 to a 37 percent share in 1979 before recovering to 41 percent in 1980. Plywood imported under TSUS item 240.23 increased from a 26 percent share of imports in 1976 to a 48 percent share in 1979 and then fell to 40 percent in 1980. The disparity in the rate of duty on these two items (20 percent for item 240.17 and 10 percent for 240.23 prior to the reductions under the MTN) is often cited as a reason for this shift. Under the MTN duty reduction, the disparity in rates between these two items will be eliminated beginning in 1984 when both will reach their final staged rate of 8 percent. When demand recovers in the United States, the mix of hardwood plywood imports will likely reflect prices resulting from quality and availability rather than duties. Imports of Philippine mahogany and birch-faced plywood, the principal hardwood plywood species specifically provided for in the Tariff Schedules, are shown in tables 3 and 4.

Log export controls in the principal log supplying countries--Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Republic of the Philippines--are likely to lead to shifts in production. Countries such as Korea and Taiwan, which are dependent on imported logs for raw material, will likely decline in importance as producers.

Exports, reacting to domestic demand, fell from 59 million square feet in 1976 to 24 million square feet in 1977, and then rose gradually to 46 million square feet, valued at $12.7 million, in 1980 (table 5).

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Appendix A

Part 3, Schedule 2, of the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (1981) and staged rates of duty

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GSP	Item	Stat. Suffix	Articles	Units of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
					1.	LDDC	2
			PART 3. - WOOD VENEERS, PLYWOOD AND OTHER WOOD-VENEER ASSEMBLIES, AND BUILDING BOARDS Part 3 headnotes: 1. For the purposes of this part, the following terms have the meanings hereby assigned to them: (a) Wood veneers: Wood sheets or strips, regardless of thickness, quality or intended use, produced by the slicing or rotary cutting of logs or flitches; and wood sheets, not over 1/4 inch in thickness, produced by sawing and of a type used to overlay inferior material; (b) Plywood: Rigid wood-veneer assemblies bonded together with adhesive substances having a central ply or core of wood veneer or lumber with one or more plies of wood veneer on each side thereof, the grain of at least one ply being at an angle (usually a right angle) with the grain of one or more of the other plies, including such assemblies the face ply (or plies) of which has been mechanically scored, striated, or similarly processed; (c) Wood-veneer panels: Rigid wood-veneer assemblies, bonded together with adhesive substances, except plywood, with a wood-veneer ply on one side of a backing, or on both sides of a core, which backing or core may be composed of lumber, veneer, hardboard, wood particle board, or other material, including such assemblies the face ply (or plies) of which has been mechanically scored, striated, or similarly processed; (d) Cellular panels: Rigid assemblies bonded together with adhesive substances with both sides or faces consisting of veneer, plywood, lumber, wood-veneer panels, hardboard, wood particle board, or other board composed of vegetable fibers, and with a core of hollow, honeycomb, or sponge-like construction, whether or not the interstices are filled with loose or loosely matted fibrous materials; and (e) Building boards: Panels of rigid construction, including tiles and insulation board, chiefly used in the construction of walls, ceilings, or other parts of buildings. 2. The term "face finished", as applied to the boards and panels provided for in this part, means that one or both surfaces of a panel or board have been treated with creosote or other wood preservatives, or with fillers, sealers, waxes, oils, stains, varnishes, paints, or enamels, or have been overlaid with paper, fabric, plastics, base metal or other material.				

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GSP	Item	Stat. Suffix	Articles	Units of Quantity	Rates of Duty 1	LDDC	2
			Wood veneers, whether or not face finished, including wood veneers reinforced or backed with paper, cloth, or other flexible material:				
			Not reinforced or backed:				
	240.00		Birch and maple	.....	Free		20% ad val.
		20	Birch (Betula spp.)	M.sq.ft.			
		40	Maple (Acer spp.)	M.sq.ft.			
	240.02	00	Philippine mahogany (almon (Shorea almon), bagtikan (Parashorea plicata), red lauan (Shorea negrosensis), white lauan (Pentacme contorta and P. mindanensis), mayapis (Shorea squamata), tangile (Shorea polysperma) and tiaong (Shorea spp.)); meranti (Shorea spp.); red seraya (Shorea spp.); and white seraya (Parashorea spp.)	M.sq.ft.	Free		20% ad val.
	240.03		Other	.....	Free		20% ad val.
		20	Hardwood	M.sq.ft.			
		40	Softwood	M.sq.ft.			
			Reinforced or backed:				
	240.04		Decorative wood veneers, not face finished, or face finished with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture, or markings of the wood	.....	Free		33-1/3% ad val.
		20	Hardwood	M.sq.ft.			
		40	Softwood	M.sq.ft.			
	240.06		Other	.....	Free		20% ad val.
		20	Hardwood	M.sq.ft.			
		40	Softwood	M.sq.ft.			
			Plywood, whether or not face finished:				
			Not face finished, or face finished with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture, or markings of the face ply:				
A	240.10	00	With a face ply of Spanish cedar (Cedrela spp.)	M.sq.ft.	17% ad val.	8% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.12	00	With a face ply of Parana pine (Araucaria angustifolia)	M.sq.ft.	10.6% ad val.	5% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.14		With a face ply of birch (Betula spp.)	.....	6.4% ad val.	3% ad val.	30% ad val.
		20	Panels not exceeding 4' in any dimension 5/32 inch in thickness, 47 inches in width, and 85 inches in length	M.sq.ft.			
			Other:				
		40	Not face finished	M.sq.ft.			
		60	Other	M.sq.ft.			
A	240.16	00	With a face ply of European red pine (Pinus sylvestris)	M.sq.ft.	7.7% ad val.	3.3% ad val.	40% ad val.

Note: For explanation of the symbol "A" or "A*" in the column entitled "GSP", see general headnote 3(c).

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GSP	Item	Stat. Suffix	Articles	Units of Quantity	Rates of Duty 1	LDDC	2
			Plywood, whether or not face finished (con.):				
			Not face finished, or face finished, etc. (con.):				
	240.17		With a face ply of Philippine mahogany (almon (Shorea almon)), bagtikan (Parashorea plicata), red lauan (Shorea negrosensis), white lauan (Pentacme contorta and P. mindanensis), mayapis (Shorea squamata), tangile (Shorea polysperma) and tiaong (Shorea spp.); meranti (Shorea spp.); red seraya (Shorea spp.); and white seraya (Parashorea spp.).....	.....	14% ad val.	8% ad val.	40% ad val.
		20	Panels not exceeding in any dimension 5/32 inch in thickness, 47 inches in width, and 85 inches in length.....	M.sq.ft.			
			Other:				
		40	Not face finished.....	M.sq.ft.			
		60	Other.....	M.sq.ft.			
D A	240.19	00	With a face ply of walnut (Juglans spp.).....	M.sq.ft.	17% ad val.	8% ad val.	40% ad val.
D A*	240.21	00	Other: With a face ply of softwood.....	M.sq.ft.	20% ad val.		40% ad val.
	240.23		Other.....	.....	10% ad val.		40% ad val.
			With a face ply of:				
		20	Sen (Kalopanax spp.).....	M.sq.ft.			
		40	Mahogany (Swietenia spp. or Khaya spp.).....	M.sq.ft.			
		60	Other.....	M.sq.ft.			
	240.25		Other.....	.....	17% ad val.	8% ad val.	40% ad val.
		20	With a face ply of hardwood.....	M.sq.ft.			
		40	With a face ply of softwood.....	M.sq.ft.			
			Wood-veneer panels, whether or not face finished:				
			With veneer faces on both sides:				
			Not face finished, or face finished with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture, or markings of the face ply:				
A	240.30	00	With a face ply of Spanish cedar (Cedrela spp.).....	M.sq.ft.	17% ad val.	8% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.32	00	With a face ply of Parana pine (Araucaria angustifolia).....	M.sq.ft.	11% ad val.	6.6% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.34	00	With a face ply of birch (Betula spp.).....	M.sq.ft.	6.4% ad val.	3% ad val.	50% ad val.
A	240.36	00	With a face ply of European red pine (Pinus sylvestris).....	M.sq.ft.	7.7% ad val.	5.3% ad val.	40% ad val.
D A*	240.38		Other.....	.....	4% ad val.		40% ad val.
		20	With a face ply of hardwood.....	M.sq.ft.			
		40	With a face ply of softwood.....	M.sq.ft.			
A	240.40	00	Other.....	M.sq.ft.	4% ad val.		40% ad val.

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GSP	Item	Stat. Suffix	Articles	Units of Quantity	Rates of Duty 1	LDDC	2
			Wood-veneer panels, whether or not face finished (con.):				
			With veneer face on one side only:				
			Not face finished, or face finished with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture, or markings of the face ply:				
A	240.50	00	With face ply of Spanish cedar (Cedrela spp.)	M.sq.ft.	17.1% ad val.	8.2% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.52	00	With face ply of Parana pine (Araucaria angustifolia)	M.sq.ft.	11% ad val.	6.6% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.54	00	With face ply of birch (Betula spp.)	M.sq.ft.	6.4% ad val.	3% ad val.	30% ad val.
A	240.56	00	With face ply of European red pine (Pinus sylvestris)	M.sq.ft.	7.7% ad val.	5.3% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.58	00	Other	M.sq.ft.	8.5% ad val.	4% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	240.60	00	Other	M.sq.ft.	8.5% ad val.	4% ad val.	40% ad val.
			Hardboard, whether or not face finished:				
			Not face finished; and oil treated, whether or not regarded as tempered, but not otherwise face finished:				
A	245.00	00	Valued not over $48.33-1/3 per short ton	S. ton	7.5% ad val.		30% ad val.
A	245.10	00	Valued over $48.33-1/3 but not over $96.66-2/3 per short ton	S. ton	7.5% ad val.		30% ad val.
A*	245.20		Valued over $96.66-2/3 per short ton	.....	7.5% ad val.		30% ad. val.
		10	With a surface texture or pattern which has been pressed or machined into the surface	S. ton			
		20	Other	S. ton			
A	245.30		Other	.....	15% ad val.		45% ad val.
		10	With a surface texture or pattern which has been pressed or machined into the surface	S. ton			
		20	Other	S. ton			
			Wood particle board, whether or not face finished:				
A	245.45	00	If 90 percent or more by weight of the wood components consist of one, or any combination, of the following hardwoods: Pterocarpus spp., Triplaris spp., or Virola spp	Sq. ft.. Lb. v	5.5% ad val.	4% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	245.50	00	Other	Sq. ft.. Lb. v	8.5% ad val.	4% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	245.60	00	Cellular panels, whether or not face finished	M.sq.ft.	8.5% ad val.	4% ad val.	40% ad val.
A	245.70	00	Gypsum or plaster building boards and lath	Lb.	5.1% ad val.	2.4% ad val.	30% ad val.
			Building boards not specially provided for, whether or not face finished:				
A	245.80	00	Laminated boards bonded in whole or in part, or impregnated, with synthetic resins	Sq. ft.. Lb. v	2.2¢ per lb. + 4% ad val.	1.3¢ per lb. + 2.3% ad val.	15¢ per lb. + 25% ad val.
	245.90		Other boards, of vegetable fibers (including wood fibers)	.....	Free		20% ad val.
		30	Weighing 30 pounds or less per cubic foot: Not over 340 square inches in area	M.sq.ft. Lb. v			
		50	Over 340 square inches in area	M.sq.ft. Lb. v			
		70	Other	M.sq.ft. Lb. v			

Note: For explanation of the symbol "A" or "A*" in the column entitled "GSP", see general headnote 3(c).

Hardwood plywood: Pre-MTN rate and staged rate modifications, by TSUS items, 1980-87

TSUS item No.	Pre-MTN col. 1 rate of duty 1/	Rates of duty 2/ effective with respect to articles entered on and after Jan. 1--							
		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987
240.10	20%	18.5%	17%	15.5%	14%	12.5%	11%	9.5%	8%
240.14	7.5%	6.9%	6.4%	5.8%	5.3%	4.7%	4.1%	3.6%	3%
240.17	20%	17%	14%	12%	10%	8%	8%	8%	8%
240.19	20%	18.5%	17%	15.5%	14%	12.5%	11%	9.5%	8%
240.23	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	8%	8%	8%	8%
240.25	20%	18.5%	17%	15.5%	14%	12.5%	11%	9.5%	8%
240.30	20%	18.5%	17%	15.5%	14%	12.5%	11%	9.5%	8%
240.34	7.5%	6.9%	6.4%	5.8%	5.3%	4.7%	4.1%	3.6%	3%
240.38	10%	7%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
240.40	10%	7%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
240.50	20%	18.5%	17.1%	15.6%	14.1%	12.6%	11.2%	9.7%	8.2%
240.54	7.5%	6.9%	6.4%	5.8%	5.3%	4.7%	4.1%	3.6%	3%
240.58	10%	9.3%	8.5%	7.8%	7%	6.3%	5.5%	4.8%	4%
240.60	10%	9.3%	8.5%	7.8%	7%	6.3%	5.5%	4.8%	4%
245.60	10%								

1/ Rate effective prior to Jan. 1, 1980.
2/ The symbol "%" indicates "percent ad valorem."

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Appendix B

Statistical Tables

Table 1.--Hardwood plywood: U.S. production, exports of domestic merchandise, imports for consumption, and apparent consumption, 1976-80

(Quantity in millions of square feet; value in thousands of dollars; unit value per thousand square feet)

Year	Production	Exports	Imports	Apparent consumption	Ratio (percent of imports to consumption
	Quantity				
1976	1/ 1,368	59	4,767	6,076	78
1977	1/ 1,499	24	4,549	6,024	76
1978	1,496	36	5,073	6,533	78
1979	1,452	33	4,216	5,635	75
1980	1,312	46	2,440	3,706	66
	Value				
1976	2/455,800	12,604	376,036	819,200	46
1977	2/523,600	5,563	440,515	958,600	46
1978	2/582,800	8,303	513,185	1,087,700	47
1979	2/656,500	8,462	584,806	1,232,800	47
1980	2/638,500	12,663	401,012	1,026,800	39
	Unit value				
1976	2/$333.18	$215.33	$78.88	-	-
1977	2/ 349.30	228.82	96.83	-	-
1978	2/ 389.57	232.72	101.17	-	-
1979	2/ 452.13	252.85	138.70	-	-
1980	2/ 486.66	274.53	164.32	-	-

1/ Revisions to April 1978 summary.
2/ Estimated by the staff of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

Note.--Unit values calculated from the unrounded data.

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Table 2. 1/--Hardwood plywood: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1976-80

Source	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
	Quantity (m. square feet)				
Kor Rep	2,771,399	2,661,030	2,493,047	1,836,650	902,083
Taiwan	1,177,256	1,133,177	1,752,173	1,523,121	859,813
Japan	313,161	359,899	255,631	192,680	150,406
Phil R	351,474	221,278	312,363	367,316	246,687
Canada	53,980	68,939	75,263	82,175	72,752
Finland	20,767	15,175	17,589	16,933	19,890
Brazil	11,652	19,271	21,917	50,299	40,748
Indnsia	605	0	61,701	95,515	120,789
All other	66,832	70,595	82,965	51,575	27,202
Total	4,767,126	4,549,364	5,072,649	4,216,264	2,440,370
	Value (1,000 dollars)				
Kor Rep	186,852	217,025	214,774	228,415	125,116
Taiwan	75,748	90,786	153,367	190,234	124,942
Japan	57,563	76,573	71,366	62,094	54,086
Phil R	28,472	23,515	30,038	51,349	40,470
Canada	9,304	13,378	15,362	19,610	18,851
Finland	6,676	6,000	8,416	8,551	12,061
Brazil	2,502	3,360	4,424	9,014	9,486
Indnsia	27	-	3,783	6,526	8,977
All other	8,893	9,877	11,656	9,014	7,022
Total	376,036	440,515	513,185	584,806	401,012
	Unit value (per m. square feet)				
Kor Rep	$67.42	$81.56	$86.15	$124.37	$138.70
Taiwan	64.34	80.12	87.53	124.90	145.31
Japan	183.81	212.76	279.17	322.26	359.60
Phil R	81.01	106.27	96.16	139.79	164.05
Canada	172.35	194.06	204.11	238.64	259.12
Finland	321.46	395.38	478.46	504.98	606.39
Brazil	214.73	174.37	201.84	179.20	232.80
Indnsia	45.21	-	61.32	68.32	74.32
All other	133.07	139.91	140.49	174.77	258.16
Average	78.88	96.83	101.17	138.70	164.32

1/ Corresponds to table 6 of original summary.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.--Unit values calculated from the unrounded figures. Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

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Table 3. 1/--Philippine mahogany plywood: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1976-80

Source	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
	Quantity (m. square feet)				
Taiwan	804,857	778,697	834,783	705,714	422,780
Kor Rep	1,826,818	1,367,917	866,936	546,951	393,235
Phil R	325,014	198,837	283,042	317,655	173,084
Japan	8,739	20,624	2,992	1,643	1,338
Indnsia	61	0	0	0	632
Singapr	2,235	558	369	333	70
Hg Kong	1	320	320	479	196
Canada	0	0	11	0	67
All other	1,013	689	459	2,443	0
Total	2,968,738	2,367,642	1,988,912	1,575,218	991,902
	Value (1,000 dollars)				
Taiwan	49,111	59,843	62,020	78,156	51,497
Kor Rep	119,259	106,340	71,388	64,151	51,016
Phil R	24,646	20,167	26,045	42,968	28,557
Japan	725	952	388	237	287
Indnsia	3	-	-	-	81
Singapr	257	100	93	136	34
Hg Kong	1	28	26	70	24
Canada	-	-	4	-	18
All other	112	165	93	168	-
Total	194,113	187,595	160,058	185,886	131,514
	Unit value (per m. square feet)				
Taiwan	$61.02	$76.85	$74.30	$110.75	$121.30
Kor Rep	65.28	77.74	82.35	117.29	129.73
Phil R	75.83	101.43	92.02	135.27	164.99
Japan	82.91	46.16	129.75	144.08	156.10
Indnsia	45.07	-	-	-	127.72
Singapr	114.97	179.99	252.41	408.50	487.37
Hg Kong	550.00	87.43	81.50	147.15	121.25
Canada	-	-	321.45	-	273.57
All other	110.61	238.85	203.35	68.71	-
Average	65.39	79.23	80.48	118.01	132.59

1/ Corresponds to table 8 of original summary.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.--Unit values calculated from the unrounded figures. Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

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Table 4. 1/--Birch plywood: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1976-80

Source	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
	Quantity (m. square feet)				
Taiwan	0	3,757	85,184	118,352	103,532
Japan	153,217	170,359	124,522	82,340	63,515
Canada	50,464	58,710	66,273	70,513	61,064
Finland	20,767	15,174	17,542	16,932	19,860
USSR	22,217	23,597	20,934	17,210	6,695
Malaysa	0	67	973	257	199
Kor Rep	430	542	762	324	637
Poland	0	0	0	0	140
All other	2	75	175	234	21
Total	247,097	272,281	316,365	306,162	255,663
	Value (1,000 dollars)				
Taiwan	-	577	14,912	24,050	21,883
Japan	24,639	32,047	28,038	22,586	18,907
Canada	8,218	10,675	13,246	16,150	14,886
Finland	6,675	5,998	8,389	8,550	12,027
USSR	2,074	2,039	2,136	1,703	1,272
Malaysa	-	33	37	145	109
Kor Rep	69	96	176	84	83
Poland	-	-	-	-	82
All other	1	26	31	57	23
Total	41,677	51,491	66,965	73,323	69,274
	Unit value (per m. square feet)				
Taiwan	-	$153.54	$175.06	$203.21	$211.37
Japan	160.81	188.11	225.16	274.30	297.68
Canada	162.85	181.83	199.87	229.03	243.78
Finland	321.44	395.27	478.25	504.98	605.61
USSR	93.36	86.39	102.02	98.93	190.03
Malaysa	-	496.87	38.30	563.06	549.81
Kor Rep	160.37	177.17	230.80	259.29	130.07
Poland	-	-	-	-	586.24
All other	568.00	349.57	176.43	242.03	1,107.33
Average	168.66	189.11	211.67	239.49	270.96

1/ Corresponds to table 9 of original summary.

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Table 5.--Hardwood plywood: U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by principal markets, 1976-80

Market	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
	Quantity (m. square feet)				
Canada	23,036	7,800	22,399	21,898	18,017
Mexico	4,544	2,921	2,825	4,143	9,121
FR Germ	6,265	1,098	544	945	3,188
S Arab	1,144	983	1,791	519	1,424
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	691
Belgium	91	212	159	238	1,445
U King	3,318	1,272	2,523	1,111	1,136
Dom Rep	163	10	125	142	1,135
All other	19,974	10,018	5,313	4,469	9,969
Total	58,535	24,314	35,679	33,465	46,126
	Value (1,000 dollars)				
Canada	3,487	1,331	3,692	4,887	4,078
Mexico	814	453	384	976	2,334
FR Germ	1,510	255	180	199	1,122
S Arab	223	320	845	200	573
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	490
Belgium	23	114	42	86	424
U King	901	276	780	261	372
Dom Rep	65	3	81	46	286
All other	5,582	2,810	2,299	1,806	2,985
Total	12,604	5,543	8,303	8,462	12,664
	Unit value (per m. square feet)				
Canada	$151.39	$170.59	$164.83	$223.18	$226.32
Mexico	179.08	155.21	135.99	235.63	255.91
FR Germ	240.98	232.58	331.78	210.34	352.01
S Arab	194.77	325.82	471.71	385.62	402.19
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	709.12
Belgium	255.98	538.35	263.81	362.08	293.12
U King	271.42	217.04	309.13	234.73	327.19
Dom Rep	395.76	349.10	648.47	324.05	252.08
All other	279.47	280.50	432.69	404.17	299.43
Average	215.33	228.82	232.72	252.95	274.55

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